TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 800 - SB 1216

February 9, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (013143): Prohibits the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Commission (Commission) from recommending, the State Board of Education (SBE) from approving, and local education agencies (LEAs) and public charter schools from adopting or using textbooks and instructional materials that promote, normalize, support, or address lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, or transgender (LGBT) issues or lifestyles. Applies to textbooks or instructional materials purchased by an LEA or charter school on or after July 1, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-2201(h) requires the Department of Education (DOE) to assist the Textbook Commission by providing mandatory training to newly appointed members on the textbook and instructional materials review process and the completion of their assigned tasks related to the review process.
- The proposed legislation will not change the current review, approval, and adoption framework for textbooks and instructional materials that exists with the Commission, SBE, or LEAs; therefore, it is assumed that adding an additional factor to be considered during the approval and review process can be accomplished within existing resources. Any fiscal impact to state government is estimated to be not significant.
- Because the proposed legislation will not apply to textbooks or instructional materials
 purchased before July 1, 2022, any LEA that is currently using textbooks or instructional
 materials that conflict with the prohibitions on LGBT content would be able to continue
 to use those materials.
- LEAs will be able to comply with the provisions of the legislation within the regular textbook adoption cycle. Any local fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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